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In re Application of

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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration under 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed September 22, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is Dismissed.

Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b)." This is not final agency action within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. § 704.

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by: (1) the required reply, unless previously filed; (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional; and (4) any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.20(d)) required by 37 CFR 1.137(c). Where there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137 was unintentional, the Commissioner may require additional information. See MPEP 711.03(c)(III)(C) and (D). The instant petition lack(s) item(s) (1).

As to item (1), the continuation application filed September 22, 2003, is not compliance with 37 CFR 1.53(b). Accordingly, revival of this application cannot be effected until a proper reply has submitted. See MPEP Section 201.06(c).

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Attachment: MPEP Section § 201.06(c)